



National Animal Welfare Advisory Committee

General Meeting

Whaitua o rēhia: Microsoft Teams Videoconference

Rā: 29 March 2023

Tāima: 09:00 – 12:00pm

MENETI | MINUTES

Komiti / Committee: Matthew Stone (Kairuruku/Chair), Arnja Dale, Peter Mason, Grant McCullough, Mhairi Sutherland, Ruth Palmer, Sandra Faulkner, Craig Johnson, Natalie Waran

s9(2)(a)

Matangaro / Apologies: Tracy Brown

Any Other Business (Open to the Public):

- **Deputy Chair Nominations**

Any Other Business (Public Excluded):

N/A

M Stone opened the meeting with a karakia at 09:02am.

The Chair acknowledged the impacts of Cyclone Gabrielle and the challenges it has placed on communities and government process. S Faulkner noted she is currently leading both the agricultural and regional response for Tairāwhiti and expressed her thanks to NAWAC and Minister Whaitiri and MPI for their support, by way of putting the review for the Sheep and Beef Code of Welfare on hold. N Waran also discussed the devastation currently felt in the Hawkes Bay region, including the loss of life to both animals and humans. She expressed thanks to both MPI and the SPCA for the support and assistance they have provided and the general public for the financial aid the community have received.

M Stone informed NAWAC that T Brown is the newly appointed committee member, as she is an apology for today's meeting, she will formally introduce herself at the next general committee meeting in May 2023. M Stone thanked s9(2)(a) for the support she has provided as NAWAC Secretary the last year and welcomed s9(2)(a) as she takes on the role of NAWAC Secretary. s9(2)(a) introduced s9(2)(a) as the new Manager of the second Animal Welfare Science Team, she officially joins MPI on 30th March 2023 and is attending today's meeting as an observer.

Any other business:

- Deputy chair nomination: M Stone asked the committee members to consider if they wish to volunteer for the position of Deputy Chair. The position is a one-year appointment and is primarily a contingency arrangement with no specific duties. M Stone confirmed P Mason has agreed to take this position should no one else be nominated or volunteer. The Chair requested that the women on the committee consider this role to ensure diversity.

Both S Faulkner and R Palmer expressed their endorsement for P Mason as Deputy Chair. The committee were provided a one week deadline to contact M Stone with either a nomination or any questions about the position, with the intention to pass the motion for this at the next general meeting.

PUBLIC EXCLUDED AGENDA DRAFT RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

Section 48, Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987

There being no further introductory items of business to discuss, it was moved (M Stone / S Faulkner):

A: That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

- C 1. Code Update: Pigs
- C 2. Code Update: Dairy

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
C1. Code Update – Pigs	To enable the local authority to deliberate in private on decisions or recommendations where it is required to make a recommendation by any enactment.	That the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 48(2)(a)(ii) of the OIA.
C2. Code Update – Dairy	To enable the local authority to deliberate in private on decisions or recommendations where it is required to make a recommendation by any enactment.	That the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 48(2)(a)(ii) of the OIA.

B: Also moved that s9(2)(a)

be permitted to remain at this meeting, after the public has been excluded, because of their knowledge of meeting procedure and the subject matter under discussion. This knowledge is relevant background information to assist the committee in its deliberations.

The motion was put: carried.

M Stone clarified that the purpose of this meeting is to inform the full committee of any changes which have been made to the draft Codes of Welfare, as a result of stakeholder consultation and subsequent discussions held by the relevant sub-committees. As such, no decisions will be made by NAWAC today and the formal process for approving and recommending Codes of Welfare will be carried out at the next general meeting that the Codes are brought to.

C1. Code Update: Pigs

C Johnson noted that NAWAC first saw the draft code prior to the first round of public consultation. Due to the volume of feedback received during public consultation, substantial changes were made to the code and the sub-committee underwent a second round of targeted stakeholder engagement and consulted with two experts. The current draft code reflects this process.

The three targeted engagement meeting were chaired by L Burton and were well attended by industry representatives, farmers, veterinarians and advocacy groups, to further discuss key issues which were highlighted in the public submissions.

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C Johnson spoke to a powerpoint presentation shared on screen for attendees.

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C Johnson thanked everyone for their appreciation of the process and input.

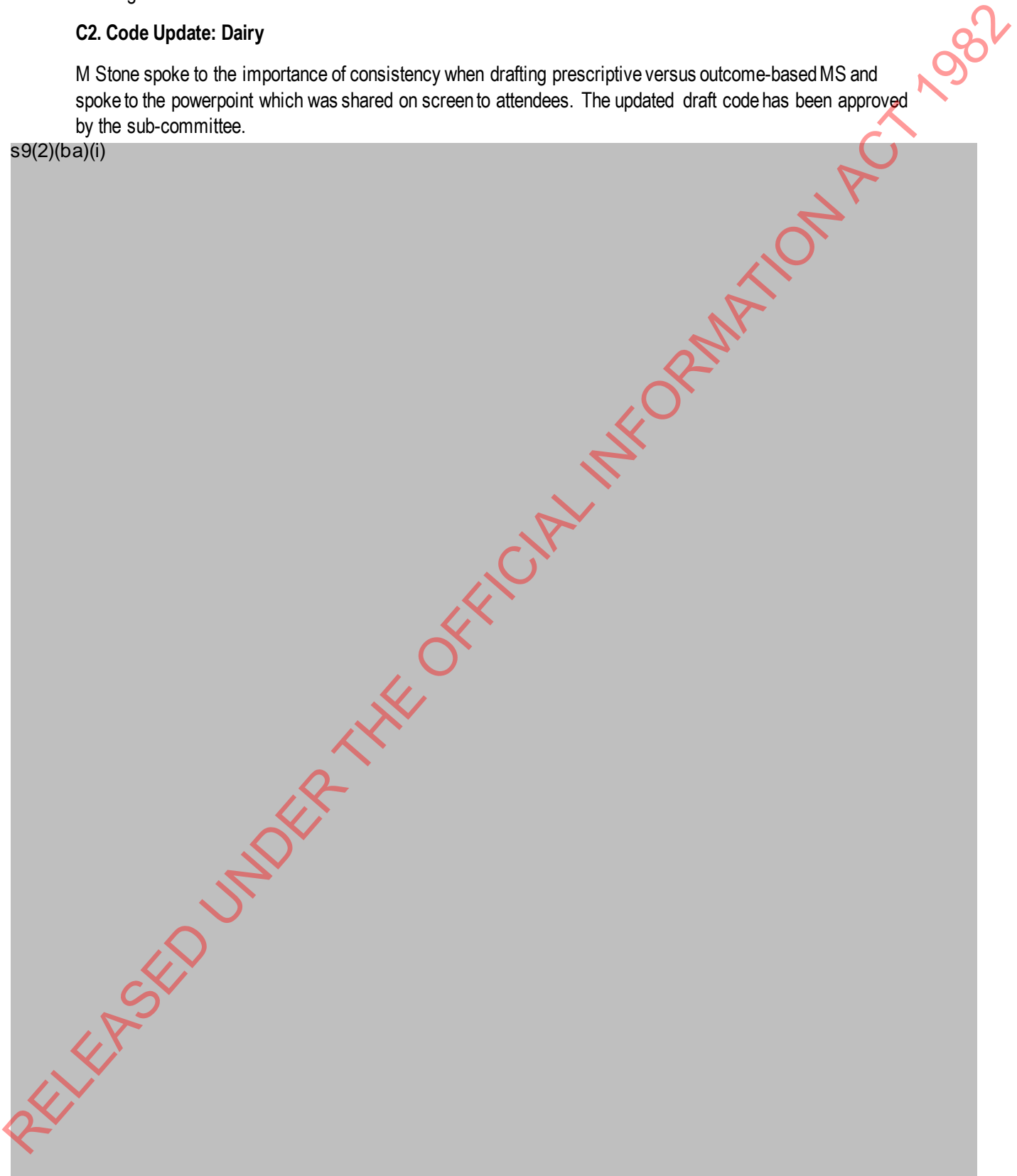
Meeting adjourned at 10:32am.
C Johnson left the meeting.

Meeting reconvened at 10:42am

C2. Code Update: Dairy

M Stone spoke to the importance of consistency when drafting prescriptive versus outcome-based MS and spoke to the powerpoint which was shared on screen to attendees. The updated draft code has been approved by the sub-committee.

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Meeting closed with a karakiaat 12:11pm.

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